

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 3, lines 3 to 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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E1  
Following completion of this operation, the voice encoder 402 outputs the generated compressed voice code to a compression code buffer ~~602~~ 302. This compression code buffer ~~602~~ 302 then stores the inputted compressed voice code. In this manner, the compression code buffer ~~602~~ 302 transmits the compressed voice code stored therein to the communication circuit side (not shown in the figures).

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Please replace the paragraph on page 3, lines 8 to 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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E2  
Furthermore, the right side of the operation from the D/A converter 601 and A/D converter 602, respectively shown in Fig. 3, is performed during a fixed clock cycle by means of hardware. In other words, the digital voice data of SP output buffer 501 is outputted one sample at a time when necessary, and converted into an analog voice signal by means of D/A converter 601. In addition, at the same time, the analog voice signal inputted from the microphone 802 is sampled when necessary during a fixed cycle, converted by A/D converter 602 into a voice signal, and written into MIC input buffer 502 as necessary.

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Please replace the paragraph on page 8, lines 15 to 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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E3  
SP output buffer 501 stores the digital voice data expanded by means of the voice decoder 401 and but not discarded by means of the selective disposal unit 200. an insertion/disposal control unit 100 monitors the remaining data

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amount of the digital voice data stored in SP output buffer 501. In addition, the insertion/disposal control unit 100 outputs both dummy compression code to the decoding code buffer 301, and a discard request signal to the selective disposal unit 200.

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Please replace the paragraph on page 13, lines 6 to 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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SP output buffer 501 stores the digital voice data that has been expanded by means of the voice decoder 401, but has not been discarded by the selective disposal unit 200. Data which is identical to that supplied to the SP output buffer 501 is then supplied and stored in a reference input signal buffer 901. The insertion/disposal control unit 100 monitors the remaining data amount of the digital voice data stored in the reference input signal buffer 901, and respectively supplies a dummy voice code to the decoding code buffer 301, and a discard request signal to the selective disposal unit 200.

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